CHAPTER NO. 366

HOUSE BILL NO. 743

By Representatives West, Sherry Jones

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 392

By Senator Graves

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 6, relative to workers' compensation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-208, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:
 - (g)(1) Before any proposed settlement is considered final in cases involving benefits from the second injury fund under this section, it shall either:
 - (A) Have the written approval of the commissioner of labor and workforce development, or the commissioner's designee, in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection; or
 - (B) Have been approved in accordance with the provisions of Section 20-13-103.
 - (2) The commissioner of labor and workforce development is authorized to settle certain second injury fund claims without the necessity of complying with Section 20-13-103, provided that the attorney general and reporter, with the written approval of the governor and the comptroller of the treasury, shall set specific limits and conditions on such settlement authority.
- SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 29, 2001

JIIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

> JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 7th day of June 2001

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